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1. WE HAVE UNFORTUNATELY HAD TO TRIM BACK OUR PLANS FOR A MEETING BY DOLGIKH WITH US SCHOLARS ON THE SUBJECT OF ACCESS TO SOVIET ARCHIVES. THE US ARCHIVIST, DR. RHOADES, WHO WILL BE HOSTING THE DOLGIKH VISIT, BELIEVES THAT IT WOULD BE UNWISE TO SUBJECT DOLGIKH TO AN INTENSIVE DISCUSSION ON THIS SENSITIVE ISSUE IN THE TYPE OF FORUM WE WERE SUGGESTING (REFTEL). HE BELIEVES IT WOULD BE MORE PRODUCTIVE TO SET UP A MINI-MEETING WHICH ONLY HE, DOLGIKH, PERHAPS GEORGE KENNAN, AND THE KENNAN INSTITUTE'S FRED STARR WOULD ATTEND. IREX MAY ALSO BE REPRESENTED.

2. THE KENNAN INSTITUTE WILL NEVERTHELESS HOST A RECEPTION FOR DOLGIKH SEPTEMBER 30 WHICH SOME FEW SCHOLARS FROM ALONG
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THE EASTERN SEABOARD WILL ATTEND. HE MAY GAIN SOME

FURTHER INSIGHTS ON US INTEREST IN THE ISSUE FROM CON-
VERSATIONS HELD IN THIS INFORMAL CONTEXT. KISSINGER

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